

# **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

**Wednesday, June 8, 2011**

**450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, RI**

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**Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Jannitto at 6:00 pm, 450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:**

**David Dugan, William Gosselin, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, John McElroy, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego, Frank Sylvia**

**Director Absent: Lloyd Matsumoto**

## **HOUSEKEEPING**

**Minutes of the following meeting were reviewed.**

**Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously**

**VOTED: That the minutes of the Annual Board Meeting of May 26,**

**2011, be approved.**

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**VOTED: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of May 26, 2011, be approved.**

## **Engineering**

**Director McElroy reported:**

### **Old Business**

**1. Existing Emergency Interconnections/Presentation by CDM and Pare Engineering, Director McElroy introduced Mr. Chuck Adelsberger, P.E. from CDM and Mr. Tim Thies, P.E. from Pare Engineering.**

**Mr. Adelsberger presented an overview of East Providence's System. CDM calibrated East Providence's Model in June 2007. Gravity flows through interconnections from East Providence to BCWA under average day demand conditions can meet BCWA's average day demand and supply 90% of BCWA's maximum day demand. Mr. Thies presented a detailed overview of BCWA's System.**

**The conclusion of the report was that the existing emergency interconnections with East Providence can adequately supply water to BCWA under emergency conditions. Both scenarios with the Child Street WTP on line or off line would require that BCWA use the Nayatt**

**Road Pump Station to manage system pressure and distribute the water throughout the system.**

**(Complete report available at BCWA offices.)**

**Chairman Jannitto stated that tonight's report was done to answer the public's questions on the emergency connections.**

**2. Water Treatment Plant Project Update, no news at this time.**

**3. Serpentine Road Drainage Project Update, Chairman Jannitto stated that the State paved Serpentine Road, and the State has to do the culverts. Warren Public Works and Representative Malik have been notified.**

**4. Anawan Reservoir Spillway, Miscellaneous Damage Due to Heavy Rain the Week of March 29, 2010, Committee requests that Anawan Club be made aware of permitting requirements.**

**Ms. Peterson stated that BCWA's Master Plan had been approved in March, but the funds for the project were not approved by the WRB.**

**Chairman Jannitto stated that WRB would pay \$6.9 million to BCWA. Options would be explored to pay the remainder.**

**Mr. Ken Burke, General Manager of WRB stated that the State has**

**\$6.9 million available for BCWA.**

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Director Gosselin reported:**

### **Old Business**

- 1. BCWA Website (for Information Only), no news at this time.**
- 2. Recent Tri-Town Meeting Concerning BCWA Operational Review, BCWA is responding to the audit. Any factual information that is wrong will be corrected. The Board will receive the audit report at the same time as the Town Councils.**
- 3. Staff Employee Salary Review (Possible Executive Session), this item postponed to a later date.**
- 5. Policy for Legal Services, It is requested by director Matsumoto that a certain ad in the June 1, 2011 Projo concerning an RFP for legal services be included in the July Agenda.**

### **New Business**

- 1. House Bill H5265 (for Information Only), Director Nencka stated that both he and Executive Director DeLise were at the hearing at the State House. Ms. Kane, Operation Clean Government, stated at the State House Hearing that there was no transparency at BCWA. Mr. Gary Morse stated at the State House Hearing that BCWA's pension was unfunded. Ms. Marina Peterson stated at the State House**

**Hearing that BCWA's Board was corrupt and that they have 'Stockholm Syndrome'.**

## **AUDIT FINANCE**

**Director Sylvia reported:**

### **Old Business**

**1. Meter Replacement Program Update, Manager of Customer and Commercial Services, Mr. Joseph Granata asked the Board to approve the purchase of 208 meters. Director Sylvia stated the Board consented to the purchase of 208 meters.**

**2. Legal Costs Update, item for information only.**

**3. RICWFA Recap, no news at this time.**

**4. Rate Structure Revisited, Executive Director DeLise stated that this item will be discussed at a later date.**

**5. Water Allocation Regulations, Rules and Regulations are being prepared by RIWRB.**

**6. Credit Card Water Bill Payments, This item postponed to July meetings.**

**7. Loan Application to RI Clean Water Finance Agency (for Information Only), Applicable documents are being prepared as**

**needed.**

## **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, July 6, 2011, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, July 6, 2011, 5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday July 6, 2011, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, July 13, 2011, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**

**The Chairman made the following motion, which was duly seconded**

**MOTION: To accept the dates for the July meetings.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**The Chairman made the following motion, which was duly seconded**

**MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00**

pm.

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**John L. McElroy, Jr.**  
**Secretary**